Hotel Building Constructed by D.D.A at I.T.O.

1044. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that DDA had constructed a hotel building near Indira Gandhi Stadium at ITO;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the cost of this building;

(d) the dates when its construction began, and was completed;

(e) the use this building is presently being put to by DDA;

(f) the annual return on the capital invested so far year-wise; and

(g) if the answer to (f) is in the negative, the action being taken against the concerned DDA officials?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI R.K. DHAWAN): (a) to (d) D.D.A. had taken up the construction of Player's Building near I.G. Stadium as part of the work of Asiad, 1982. The construction of this building was taken up in two phases. Construction of Phase I was started on 24.6.1981 and of Phase II on 22.3.1982. The building is incomplete stage. The expenditure incurred by DDA on this building was approximately Rs. 3.00 crores.

(e) The building was taken over by Delhi Administration in March, 1987 after paying a sum of Rs. 11.30 crores to D.D.A. Subsequently, it has been decided that the building be taken over by the Department of Youth Affairs and Sports for running a Sports Hostel. The Ministry of Human Resource Development have, however, proposed to hand over the said incomplete building on lease basis to a prospective hotelier, who will run a 5-Star Hotel on payment of minimum guaranteed amount to the concerned authority and also construct a Sports Hostel at his cost.

(f) and (g) Do not arise in view of (e) above.

Lack of Facilities in 2nd Class in Trains

1045. SHRI R. MARGABANDU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that facilities in the second class in trains are very poor; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to modernise the facilities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SURESH KALMADI): (a) The Passenger amenities in the Second Class Coaches are provided as per the recommendations of the Passenger Amenities Committee. The coaches are properly attended before the start of each trip to ensure cleanliness and availability of all passenger amenity items in working order.

(b) The Railways continuously endeavour to provide better facilities and comfortable journey to the travelling public. New design of coaches are also being developed to provide safer and more comfortable travel.

शाहगंज मऊ में आमान परिवर्तन पर किया गया व्यय

1046. **श्री मोहम्मद मसूद खान:** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि उत्तर प्रदेश में शाहगंज मऊ में मीटर गेज से ब्राड गेज आमान परिवर्तन पर वित्तीय वर्ष 1994-95 में कितना धन व्यय हुआ है और वर्ष 1995-96 में कितना धन व्यय होगा और इस संबंध में अब तक क्या प्रगति हुई है, इस कार्य के लिए कितने धन की आवश्यकता है और यह कार्य कब तक पूरा हो जाएगा?